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**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE**  
**ON**  
**HEALTH POLICY**

Wednesday, November 28, 2018                      9:00 a.m.                      Room 519 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Health Policy was called to order by Chairman Vaupel.

Members present: Reps. Vaupel, Tedder, Graves, Garcia, Sheppard, Calley, Farrington, Hauck, Hornberger, Kahle, Noble, Brinks, Garrett, Neeley, Ellison, Hammoud, and Hertel.  
Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Tedder moved to adopt the minutes of October 3, 2018. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Chairman Vaupel laid the following bill before the committee:

SB 842      (Zorn)                      Health facilities; hospices; requirement for hospice to establish a policy for the disposal of controlled substances at home care level under certain circumstances; provide for.

Shane Preston, representing Senator Zorn's office, testified in support of the bill.

The following people submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Derek Sova, representing the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs.  
Barry Cargill, representing the Michigan Homecare and Hospice Association.

Representative Tedder moved to report out SB 842 with recommendation. The motion prevailed, the vote being 15-0-0.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

Yeas: Reps. Vaupel, Tedder, Garcia, Sheppard, Calley, Farrington, Hauck, Hornberger, Kahle, Noble, Brinks, Garrett, Ellison, Hammoud, Hertel.  
Nays: None.  
Pass: None.

Chairman Vaupel laid the following bill before the committee:

SB 929      (Casperson)                      Health facilities; emergency medical services; ambulance availability for county or micropolitan area with population of 10,000 or less; provide for.

Marty Fittante, representing Senator Casperson's office testified in support of the bill.

Representative Sheppard moved to adopt the substitute (H-1) to SB 929. The motion prevailed, the vote being 16-0-0.

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Vaupel, Tedder, Garcia, Sheppard, Calley, Farrington, Hauck, Hornberger, Kahle, Noble, Brinks, Garrett, Neeley, Ellison, Hammoud, Hertel.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

The following people submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

John McNamara, representing McLaren Health Care.

Angela Madden, representing the Michigan Association of Ambulance Services.

Karen Everett, representing the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

Mark Docherty, representing the Michigan Professional fire Fighters Union.

Representative Tedder moved to report out SB 929 with recommendation, as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed, the vote being 16-0-0.

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Vaupel, Tedder, Garcia, Sheppard, Calley, Farrington, Hauck, Hornberger, Kahle, Noble, Brinks, Garrett, Neeley, Ellison, Hammoud, Hertel.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Chairman Vaupel laid the following bill before the committee:

HB 6288 (Vaupel)	Health; pharmaceuticals; requirement to Shane Robtain and review a report from the Michigan automated prescription system (MAPS); exempt certain controlled substances for the treatment of epilepsy or seizure disorders.
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The Chair gave an introduction to his legislation.

Brianna Romines and Dr. Angel Hernandez, both representing the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Christine Shearer, representing the Michigan Association of Health Plans, submitted a card in opposition to the bill, but did not wish to speak.

The following people submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Sam Boumis, representing U.C.B. Pharmaceuticals.

Jean Doss, representing Eisai Pharmaceuticals.

Chairman Vaupel laid the following bill before the committee:

HB 6431 (Vaupel)	Insurance; health insurers; Medigap plans; modify.
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Karen Gyger, representing the Michigan Department Insurance and Financial Services, testified on

the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Kris Kraft, representing Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, testified on the bill.

Christine Shearer, representing the Michigan Association of Health Plans, submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

The Chair laid the committee at ease, the time being 9:28 a.m.

The Chair called the committee back to order, the time being 9:29 a.m.

Chairman Vaupel laid the following bill before the committee:

HB 5223 (Vaupel)	Health; pharmaceuticals; annual report on the costs associated with prescription drugs; require manufacturers of prescription drugs to file under certain circumstances.
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The Chairman gave update on the proposed changes expected in the legislation.

Kristen Kraft and Tim Antonelli, both representing Blue Cross Blue Shields of Michigan, testified in support of the bill.

Christine Shearer and Karen Jones, both representing the Michigan Association of Health Plans, testified in support of the bill.

Peter Fotos, representing PHRMA, testified in opposition to the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Dusty Fancher, representing America's Health Insurance Plans.  
Larry Lewis, representing Aetna.  
Dawn Kettinger, representing the Michigan Nurses Association.  
Andy Johnston, representing Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Wendy Block, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce  
Delaney McKinley, representing the Michigan Manufacturers Association.  
Daniel Woltzer, representing Pfizer.  
David Moody, representing Novo Nordisk.  
Liz Smalley, representing Merck.

Chairman Vaupel laid the following bill before the committee:

HB 6435 (Canfield)	Insurance; third party administrators; pharmacy benefit managers; regulate.
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Larry Wagenknecht, representing the Michigan Pharmacists Association, testified in support of the bill.

Karen Gyger, representing the Michigan Department Insurance and Financial Services, testified on the bill.

John Gross, representing himself, testified in support of the bill.

Representative Canfield testified in support of his legislation. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Kristen Kraft, representing Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan.

Tangela Feemster, representing Express Scripts.

Larry Lewis, representing Aetna.

Dusty Fancher, representing America's Health Insurance Plans.

Nicole Nystrom, representing CVS Health.

April Alexander and Nicole Nystrom, both representing PCMA.

John McNamara, representing McLaren Health Care, submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

There being no further business before the committee, Chairman Vaupel adjourned the meeting, the time being 10:17 a.m.

**Representative Hank Vaupel, Chair**\_\_\_\_\_

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